UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

| SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION, Plaintiff-Applicant, v. BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT | Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (CGM) SIPA Liquidation (Substantively Consolidated) |
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| SECURITIES LLC, Defendant. | |
| In re: BERNARD L. MADOFF, Debtor. | |
| IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Substantively Consolidated SIPA Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC and Bernard L. Madoff, Plaintiff, | Adv. Pro. No. 12-01046 (CGM) |
| v. SNS BANK N.V. and SNS GLOBAL CUSTODY B.V., Defendants. | |

DECLARATION OF GEORGE W. SHUSTER, JR. IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, George W. Shuster, Jr., under penalty of perjury, declares the following to be true and correct:

I am a Partner with the law firm of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, attorneys for Defendants SNS Bank N.V. and SNS Global Custody B.V. ("Defendants") in the above-

referenced action. I submit this Declaration and the materials annexed hereto in support of the Defendants' Motion to Dismiss the Complaint (the "Motion") in its entirety and with prejudice.¹

- 1. Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of the Complaint and accompanying exhibits, filed in the above-referenced action on February 9, 2012. *See* Dkt. 1.
- 2. Attached hereto as **Exhibit B** is a true and correct copy of an Information Detail page from De Nederlandsche Bank, the Dutch central bank and financial sector supervisor, reflecting that de SNS Bank N.V. (n/k/a de Volksbank N.V.) was authorized since at least December 31, 1990 to "[c]arry[] on the business of a bank," and continued to be authorized do so as of at least October 11, 2022, i.e., at all times relevant to the Motion.²

Dated: October 14, 2022 New York, New York Respectfully Submitted,

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¹ SNS Bank N.V. has been renamed de Volksbank N.V. since January 1, 2017, but all matters relevant to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss relate to the time period before such date.

² The Information Detail page for de Volksbank was obtained by me at https://www.dnb.nl/en/public-register/information-detail/?registerCode=WFTKF&relationNumber=B0578.